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## **Upland library, park improvements get \$1 million boost from County**

**SAN BERNARDINO** - Agreements approved by the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday will provide \$1 million in one-time funding for improvements at San Antonio Park and the Upland Public Library.

“By partnering with the City of Upland, we are upgrading services for everyone who uses San Antonio Park and the Upland Public Library, and that includes residents from our unincorporated communities as well as city residents,” said Second District Supervisor Paul Biane, who requested the funding in the County’s 2006-07 budget.

The City of Upland plans to invest about \$1.5 million into San Antonio Park, which is located at the northwest corner of Mountain Avenue and 24<sup>th</sup> Street. Improvements are slated to include new walking trails, picnic areas, trash containers, landscaping and restrooms as well as additional parking spaces and a renovated, stone fire pit.

The County provided \$663,000 for the project through one of the agreements approved Tuesday. Supervisor Biane previously secured \$150,000 in one-time county funding to assist the city with costs associated with the design of the park improvements. In

addition, he allocated \$150,000 from the County's share of Prop. 40 funding for the first phase of improvements at the park.

The city will receive \$337,000 for various amenities planned for the Upland Public Library. The city intends to use the funding for a bookmobile and homework center. In addition, the library plans to add a voice notification system that will make pre-recorded calls to patrons when items they checked out are overdue or when items they have requested are returned.